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Axis Commanders Fly To Hitler's Headquarters?

Great Fires Rage In Cape Bon: First Army Enters Hammamet

ATTLEE ON TUNISIAN VICTORY AND GERMAN SURRENDER

LONDON, May 11.

Reuter's special correspondent with Allied Headquarters in North Africa cables:— Punching another yawning hole through the centre of the remaining German front, armour of the British First Army entered Hammamet early this morning.

The nerve of the Germans in this area cracked completely and thousands of prisoners are coming including 600 infantrymen of the Hermann Goering Jaeger Battalion.

In the south, the Germans, however, are fighting with everything they have. Further east, the French and British are pressing forward in the face of equally strong opposition, particularly in the Zaghouan zone.

To the south of Mogharane, which is an important centre east, north-east of Zaghouan, the Germans put in a a counter-attack but were repulsed.

Great fires are raging to-day in the Cape Bon Peninsula and it seems the Germans are burning their dumps now that they realise fighting in North Africa is reaching its close.

It is widely believed that the total haul of prisoners is approaching 1,00,000.

Axis Commanders For Hitler's Hqs.

ZURICH: According to reliable report from Rome, the two Axis Commanders in North Africa, Arnim and Messe arrived in Rome by air on Sunday. Arnim left yesterday probably for Hitler's headquarters.

ROME "COMMUNIQUE"

ROME: To-day's 'communique' announces, Allied troops reached the south-eastern coast of Cape Bon Peninsula. To south-east of Tunis, enemy infantry and armoured car columns continued their advance after hard fighting against Italo-German troops and reached the south-east coast of Cape Bon Peninsula.

"FORBIDDEN ZONE"

The German radio stated today that the Italian military authorities have established a "forbidden zone" along the Franco-Swiss frontier. People not living in the area can only enter the zone with special permits. The Franco-Swiss frontier was recently closed by the Italians.

ATTACK ON PANTELLARIA

Pantellaria was attacked by over 100 bombers yesterday morning and afternoon it was officially announced here to-day.—Reuter.

R.A.F. Attack On Messina Again

CAIRO: Announcing another attack on Messina, a "communique" says: "During the night of May 9 heavy bombers of the R. A. F. attacked defence installations at Messina. In daylight yesterday, our aircraft made further attacks on enemy shipping in the Alean Sea. Two small sailing vessels were badly damaged and left in sinking condition. From these and other operations all our aircraft returned safely."—Reuter.

Allies' Tunisian Casualties

LONDON, May 11.

Mr. Attlee told the Commons, it is estimated that from May 5, the Allies have taken a least 50,000 prisoners in Tunisia mostly Germans, and this number is continually increasing.

The First Army's casualties amounted to 1,200 making the total First Army's casualties including wounded and missing since April 17 8,400 while the Eighth Army casualties from April 20 to May 3, were just over 2,400.

Mr. Attlee announced that Soliman was captured yesterday evening followed by Grombalia almost, halfway down the neck of Cape Bon Peninsula.—Reuter

Goering In Italy

LONDON, May 11.

The Moscow radio reported on Monday night that Goering had arrived in Rome. Immediately after his arrival he had a long interview with Mussolini after which he flew to Naples where he conferred with the Commanders of the German forces in Italy. Following Goering's meeting with Mussolini, the Italian Government met in secret.—Reuter.

ATTLEE'S STATEMENT ON WAR SITUATION

WESTMINSTER, May 11.

After the House had gone into secret session to hear the statement from the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden on the subject which he said was inadvisable to make in public, the Deputy Prime Minister Mr. Attlee made a statement on the war situation.

He said: "Since this House last met, a great victory has been won in North Africa (cheers). This striking success by the United Nations has sent a thrill of joy not only through the hearts of our own people but also the hearts of our Allies and well-wishers all over the world.

It is, I think, appropriate that we should at our first meeting pay tribute to the men who have driven the enemy from Tunis and Bizerta and inflicted such crushing defeat on the Axis forces. General Eisenhower and General Alexander (cheers) working in complete harmony with staffs composed of men drawn from both sides of the Atlantic have given a very practical example of Allied co-operation and under their command forces of the United States and the British Commonwealth and Empire and French North Africa have with great courage, determination and skill carried out successfully the very well laid plan of the commanders.

"REAL THUNDERBOLT"

Wednesday afternoon, General Anderson attacked and captured the much contested hill Jebel Bou Akouaz. With his left flank thus secure General Anderson ordered forward the main body of the infantry which, supported by a terrific concentration of artillery and the whole weight of the air force, moved forward to their objectives between Jebel Bou Akouaz and the Medjez-El-Bab—Tunis road. When these key points were captured they opened the door through which immediately our armour passed to crush the enemy's remaining defences. That advance gathered increasing momentum. It exceeded all expectations in its pace. It culminated on Friday afternoon by the entry into Tunis, amid the cheers of the rejoicing population, of the Derbyshire yeomanry of the First Army and veteran Eleventh Hussars of the Eighth Army (cheers).

The two armies joined together in victory and the tri-colour was run up over Tunis by the French. The first army covered 30 miles in 35 hours leaving the enemy battered and demoralised with little or no further organised resistance. In the words of General Alexander, it was a real thunderbolt.

REQUEST FOR ARMISTICE

On May 10, all fighting ceased in the area of the United States Corps. The German commander requested an armistice. He was met with the demand for an immediate and unconditional surrender which he accepted (cheers). The House knows that among the great number of prisoners were included the Major-General commanding the Fifth Panzer Division, Commander of the Africa Corps Artillery and of the crack anti-aircraft division and general commanding Manneteufel Division.

WHERE AXIS STILL FIGHT

The remaining Axis forces apart from small pockets holding out here and there are now holding part of he high ground south of Hammam life on the north coast of Cape Bow Peninsula and the little strip of coastal plain and hilly country as far south as where the front of the Eighth Army is. In thi sarea, Axis forces are still fighting strongly but our advance southeastwards down the neck of Cape Bon Peninsula is making good progress.

To-day, we learnt that yesterday afternoon Soliman was captured and Grombalia in the evening almost half way down that neck on the way to where that road joins the coastal road which is the only communication those troops have who are facing the Eighth Army in Cape Bon Peninsula.

ONLY CAPE BON IN AXIS HANDS

Our tanks are driving on down that road. Thus far the battle has gone well. It is still too early to say how long the last act will last or to speculate on the enemy's hope of resistance or escape. But I think one can say wih no large towns or ports on which to base themselves, and only Cape Bon Peninsula in their hands, their prospects are bleak. They have in front of them our victorious troops, above them our airforce, behind them only beaches and sea dominated by our naval and air forces.

I know I am expressing the view of the whole House in entering our thanks to men of all the United Nations who have borne their part in this splendid victory."

GERMAN SURRENDER IN U. S. SECTOR

LONDON, May 11

The Germans in the American sector of the Tunisian front have surrendered unconditionally according to the Algiers radio.

The Algiers radio last night said that Axis prisoners are now coming in at the rate of one thousand per hour.

An American broadcast from Algiers announced the unconditional surrender of Axis forces in the American sector of the front saying, "a big pocket of Axis troops cut off between Tunis and Bizerta has been wiped out."

In the American sector, all organised fighting ended at 11 o'clock yesterday. The surrender terms were unconditional.

Twenty-five thousand prisoners have been taken in this area alone, including six Generals.

HESS, STILL A PRISONER

He Brought To Britain A Few Marked Notes, Says Eden

WESTMINSTER, May 11.

The Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden was asked in the Commons to-day "Whether securities worth £15,000 that Rudolph Hess had when he landed in Scotland were being used to pay for his keep and that of his family now in this country."

Mr. Eden said that the questioner was misinformed, adding, "Hess brought no British securities nor is any member of his family in this country."

Asked if Hess is still a prisoner in this country, Mr. Eden amid cheers replied, "He is still confined under the same conditions he was originally confined under."

Replying to a supplementary question, Mr. Eden added that all the money Hess brought to Britain was a few marked notes.—Reuter.

Soviet Seeds For India And Indian Seeds For Soviet

NEW DELHI, May 10.

It is understood that at the request of the Government of India the Soviet Government have sent certain varieties of wheat and cotton seeds to the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research and in return the India Government are sending similar seeds to Russia with a view to popularise different kinds of agricultural produce between the two countries.—Orient Press.

General Eisenhower, Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in North Africa, greeting General Montgomery, leader of the British Eighth Army.

"MODEL OF MILITARY ART"

Churchill's Congratulations

LONDON, May 11.

Mr. Churchill has sent congratulatory telegrams to General Eisenhower, General Alexander and Air Chief Marshal Tedder.

To General Alexander he said the Anglo-American advance into Tunis and Bizerta was an augury full of hope for the future of the world.

To General Alexander and "your brilliant Lieutenant Montgomery" he says "your combination in the final great battle will be judged by history as a model of military art."—Reuter.

Allies Must Take Sicily Too, Says Knox

WASHINGTON May 11

The Secretary for the Navy, Col. Knox said to-day: "The opening of the Mediterranean supply line will obviously be of tremendous advantage to the United Nations. Axis airforces from Europe will try to prevent the Allies using the Mediterranean but will not be able to do so."

Col. Knox added significantly: "As long as the Axis hold Sicily, it is dangerous to Allied operations. The possession of Sicily by the Allies would obviously be a tremendous military asset". Col. Knox said that because of the shortening of the route to the Middle East by the opening of the Mediterranean supply line, "the Allies will save about 5,000 miles and nearly double the tonnage if we have an air umbrella protection."—Reuter.

Soviet Offensive In Orel

LONDON, May 11.

Reuter's special correspondent in his special despatch from Moscow says: A Soviet offensive in the Orel sector south of Moscow is expected to be launched any day now. Russian long-range bombers have been hammering at this key sector of the German salient for the last ten days apparently softening it up for land attacks.—Reuter.

U.S. Air Attack On Railways In Central Burma

NEW DELHI, May 11.

B-25 medium bombers of the 10th U. S. Air Force on May 10 attacked enemy railroad installations in central Burma at Ywataung and at Pyawbwe, says a "communique" issued by Rear Echelon Headquarters, United States Army Forces, China, Burma, India.

At Ywataung direct hits demolished the engine shed. At Pyawbwe, hits were observed in the centre of the rail junction and among warehouses. Explosions and fires were reported.

P-40 fighters from our Assam bases concentrated on destruction of enemy troop installations in the Myitkyina area, supplementing strafing attacks with light demolition and fragmentation bombs. At Kwitu 12 miles north-east of Myitkyina the entire town was left ablaze. Several fires indicated fuel dumps had been hit. At Seniku, 20 miles north-east of Myitkyina, two fires were observed. At Nanyaseik, 30 miles north-west of Myitkyina ten buildings were reported destroyed and fires left burning.—A. P.

R.A.F. Raid On Prome Rly. Station

On the Arakan, yesterday land operations were confined to patrol activities, says an India Command Joint War "communique".

Our artillery shelled Japanese troops on the Buthidaung Maungdaw road and R. A. F. fighters on offensive patrol machine-gunned enemy occupied huts ments and supply sampans in the Buthidaung area.

Elsewhere in Burma, a formation of "Blenheims" attacked Wuntho railway station and ammunition store. All bombs were seen to burst in the target area.

Other aircraft bombed enemy objectives at Allannyo on the Irrawaddy near Prome, and at Mindya north of Akyab island.

Last night an attack was made on the railway station and sidings at Prome. Three good fires were started, of which one in the centre of the marshalling yard was visible for 50 miles.—A. P.

ARTILLERY DUELS NEAR NOVOROSSISK

Soviet Air Raid On Bryansk

MOSCOW, May 11.

Monday night's Soviet 'communique' stated that during May 10 Soviet troops in the Kuban, northeast of Novorossisk, were engaged in heavy artillery duels. The Soviet Air Force dealt blows to German fortifications and infantry concentrations.

In other sectors of the front there were no material changes.

AMMUNITION DUMPS BLOWN UP

Moscow radio stated to-day (Tuesday) that 43 German aircraft were shot down in air combat and by anti-aircraft guns when about 200 planes tried to raid the Rostov and Bataisk areas on Sunday. The Soviet Air Force carried out a large-scale raid on Bryansk on Sunday causing heavy explosions among railway trains and ammunition dumps.

A Soviet unit has repulsed a German counter-attack and killed 200 men north of Novorossisk according to a supplement to the morning 'communique.' The German trenches were taken by assault and a further 80 Germans killed.—Reuter.

Musso Withdraws Airforce From Russian Front

STOCKHOLM: Mussolini faced with more intense Allied Air attack on Italy has recalled all his Fighter and Bomber Squadrons from the Russian front, says a Rome dispatch. While the German Luftwaffe is needed at the island bases of Sicily, Sardania, Pantellaria and Crete, the task of defending the Italian mainland has fallen on the Italian Airforce.

The majority of the Italian machines were grouped in the vicinity of Leningrad and according to Russian estimates, its strength was more than 500 aircraft.—India Press Service

NAZI COMMANDER ON RUSSIAN FRONT DEAD

BERLIN, May 11.

The death is announced of General Count Brockdorff Ahlefeldt who was during the winter in command of the Demyansk area south of Lake Ilmen where Marshal Timoshenko forced the breakthrough. Hitler has ordered a state funeral.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

ANOTHER CHURCHILL-ROOSEVELT MEETING?

WASHINGTON, May 11.

There is general belief in Washington to-day that an event of international significance will be announced in the near future. While there is no official intimation as to its nature, well-informed observers here believe that the next logical step before Allied invasion of Europe will be another Churchill-Roosevelt meeting.—Reuter.

JUBBULPORE May 11: The Additional Sessions Judge of Jubbulpore quashed on appeal the sentence of 6 months' rigorous imprisonment passed on Seth Tulsidas of Messrs. Bhurama! Ramdayal, under the Defence of India Rules for profiteering in salt. The Judge maintained the sentence of Rs. 2,000 fine.—U. P.

ISOLATIONISM LEADS TO WAR

U. S. Democrat Leader's Plea For International Co-operation

WASHINGTON, May 10.

The Democrat Chairman of the House of Representative Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Robert Doughton to-day challenged the Republicans to dispel the charge that they are Isolationists.

Opening the debate on the Administrations Bill to extend the Reciprocal Trade Act for another three years, he urged Republicans to agree to the Bill's passage. "We are called upon to decide between a wide and far-sighted programme of international co-operation and the thoroughly discredited policy of Isolation, he said. The Axis he said, hoped that the extension of the act would be defeated.

"Their propagandists would seize on this as evidence of disunity—disunity among the Americans and disunity among the United Nations." Mr Doughton added.

Voicing Republican opposition, representative Harold Knutson of Minnesota declared "the history of the Trade Act has been a succession of dismal failures." The Republicans indicated that they were prepared to make efforts to secure an amendment to the act giving Congress right to pass judgment on trade treaties within 90 days of their submission. In effect, this would enable Congress to veto any trade pacts negotiated by President Roosevelt with foreign powers. "Lease-Lend" transactions would be unaffected as Congress has already renewed the "Lease-Lend" Act for a further period.

The Republican representative for New York, Mr. Hamilton Fish said he favoured the continuation of agreements in their present form, but for two years only.

In denouncing the stand taken by Republicans, the Democrat leader from Massachusetts, Mr. McCormick declared "as far as the Republican Party in the House is concerned, it is coming to have a reputation of Isolationism and trade barriers. It is a policy which leads to war."—Reuter.

Novel A.R.P. Measure!

SYLHET, May 11.

As a measure of air raid precaution, the Deputy Commissioner of Sylhet has ordered the killing of all stray dogs found loitering in the streets. Owners of dogs have been warned to keep their dogs under control.—United Press.

LORD SWINTON FOR INDIA?

Churchill's 2 Year Search For Viceroy Soon To End

MADRAS (By Mail).

The London correspondent of the "Hindu" writes:—

The tough-minded Lord Swinton, resident Minister of State in West Africa, is now widely, though hesitatingly, tipped to succeed Lord Linlithgow as Viceroy of India.

It is definitely understood that Mr. Churchill's patient two-year search for a public man of suitable stature willing to take over the most difficult post in the Empire has now come to a successful end and the name will be disclosed in a few weeks.

"Stiff & Unbending Tory"

MANCHESTER, May 11.

Returning to the question of the appointment of a new Viceroy London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" telegraphs "it is still believed that the new Viceroy whose appointment is to be announced before the end of the month will be found within the Government to the Ministers who have been regarded as possible successors to Lord Linlithgow—Mr. Attlee, Sir John Anderson and Sir Archibald Sinclair—must be added Lord Swinton. The Resident Minister in West Africa ranks as Cabinet Minister. The need for a Minister in West Africa is regarded as having passed, especially as Mr. Harold Macmillan is now in North Africa.

Lord Swinton is an efficient administrator and he was a better Secretary for Air than has been generally understood. Politically, however, he would not be a good choice". He is a stiff and unbending Tory.—Reuter.

11 GIRLS KILLED

Raid On East Anglian Coastal Town

LONDON, May 11.

At least 11 girls were killed when a bomb crashed on a building during a tip and run raid on an East Anglian coast town this morning. The raid was made by about 15 "Fockewulf" fighter-bombers. Many houses were damaged and a number of people were killed. A heavy casualty list is feared.

The raiders also turned their machine-gun on the streets.—Reuter.

FIVE NAZI SUBMARINES SUNK

WASHINGTON, May 11.

Five German submarines attacking westbound Allied convoys in the Atlantic theatre have been sunk, it is learned here to-day.—Reuter.

LIMA (Peru): Documents of great historical value and 75,000 books were destroyed by a fire in the Lima library.—Reuter.

"Unconditional Surrender"

Eden Reiterates Allies' Peace Terms

"Not Interested In Any Attempt At Mediation"

WESTMINSTER, May 11.

Cheers greeted the Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden's reiteration in the Commons to-day that the Allies' peace terms are unconditional surrender.

Mr. Eden replying to a member's question "whether Government's attention has been drawn to the speech by General Franco in which he offered mediation," said "I can only respect what President Roosevelt said sometime ago that we are not really interested in any attempt at mediation and that our terms are unconditional surrender."—Reuter.

FRANCO FOR PEACE

MADRID, May 11.

Speaking at the Town Hall, General Franco on Monday said, "It does not follow that because belligerents pay deaf ears to calls for peace, there is no solution of this war.

We have reached what is usually called the dead end in this struggle."

General Franco advised the nations to make peace. "After three years of war it is folly to delay making peace."—Reuter.

General Franco's Reception In Granada

LONDON, May 11.

MADRID: General Franco arrived at Granada and drove in a car through a triumphal arch midst crowds of cheering citizens. He appeared on the balcony.

After lunch General Franco went through the principal streets of the city in a horse drawn carriage of State to the Cathedral where he heard the 'Te Deum' in the Royal Chapel.

The Mayor of Granada presented him with a goldhilted copy of the sword of King Ferdinand, the Catholic and made a speech pledging Granada's loyalty to the regime.—Reuter

"Keep Watch Over German Battle Fleet"

LONDON, May 11.

From Reuter's special correspondent with the Home Fleet. The warning that the German Battle Fleet might come out for action was given by Admiral Sir John Tovey, former Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, in a farewell speech aboard his flagship.

"It may be that the change in the German Naval High Command means that the Germans are preparing to utilise their surface force and we must be ready", he said. "When that chance comes, we must not miss it for we cannno count on a second one. It is in no spirit of boasting I say that this fleet is holding more than any other fleet or force. We guard the northern exits from Norway and bar the Germans entry into the Atlantic."

Col. Knox On Future Allies Relations

LONDON, May 11.

CHICAGO: The Secretary of the Navy Col. Knox today described the Navy's part in the North African expedition as a "transcendent success. We are in the war for one fundamental reason and that is the preservation of our country", Col. Knox continued.

Col. Knox added "After the war we must find a way to make the Allies alliance a great world force to maintain peace."—Reuter.

10 Killed In Mine Explosion

Birmingham (Alabama), May 11.

Ten men were killed and five seriouhly burned when an explosion occurred in the Praco Coalmine, 20 miles west of here today. The coalmine is the tenth in importance in Alabama.—Reuter.

"Sikhs, First And Last"

LAHORE, May 11.

"The attempt to merge the Sikhs in Hindu community is intolerable and Sikhs of whatever views will never tolerate this propaganda", declares Sardar Baldev Singh, Development Minister, Punjab, in a statement to the Press with reference to the controversy in the Punjab press that the Sikhs are a section of the Hindu community".

Sardar Baldev Singh says:—"It would be as great a folly to ignore the close, cultural and social ties between the two sister communities as to deny the fact that we Sikhs have inherited from our gurus our exclusive tenets of faith and its practice. We Sikhs are Sikhs first and last in the matter of faith."—A. P.

New Mayor Of Karachi

KARACHI, May 11.

Lala Shambhu Nath has been elected Mayor of Karachi at a special meeting of the Corporation held this afternoon, defeating Dr. Rochi Ram. He secured 30 votes against 24 poled by Dr. Rochi Ram.—United Press.

Indian Seamen In Britain

Plea For Better Wage

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, May 11.

The War has brought to the fore a number of problems in connection with the Indian seamen serving in the Mercantile Marine, the most important of them being their general welfare both on the shore and while being on the high seas. As the British Government is a party to the recommendations of the International Labour Office made in 1936, it has taken the ultimate responsibility for the welfare of all seamen including Indian seamen during their sojourn in Britain.

THE THREE GUARDIANS

At present there are three agencies directly and mainly responsible for looking after Indian seamen in Britain. The first is the Ministry of Transport which looks after seamen on the seas. The second is the Ministry of Labour which is responsible when they are ashore. The third agency is under Indian control and Indian direction because it is realised that there are special problems arising from language and other difficulties so far as Indian seamen are concerned.

WELFARE OFFICERS

In 1940, with the approval of the Government of India, the High Commissioner for India in London appointed three Welfare Officers—all of them Indians conversant with the Indian languages—who were stationed in London, Liverpool and Glasgow. They were charged with the special duty of watching the welfare of Indian seamen and assisting them. They were also expected to assist and advise the local Port Welfare Committees and the Welfare Officers. These three Indians maintain a close and constant touch with the Indian crews arriving in Britain.

BETTER WAGES

As a result of repeated representations the Indian seamen are now getting a rise of 200 per cent over their basic pre-war rate of wage plus another hundred per cent of War bonus. But this by no means meets the situation and Indian seamen cannot be said to be satisfied with their wartime pay packet. It is still a long way to fulfil one of the recommendations of the International Labour Office which laid down that wages of coloured seamen should not be less than those of other seamen.

INDIAN SEAMEN DECORATED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, May 11.

At least 12 Indian seamen have been decorated in recognition of their heroic work on the high seas, I understand that many more have been commended by their superiors.

Mr. Lall, Acting High Commissioner for India in London told me: "At least 30,000 Indian seamen must have arrived in Britain from India. They have frequently voyaged the seven seas in rigorous weather and trying times but I have not yet come across a single Indian seaman who was frightened or complained to me or any one else that he is tired of these voyages."

DACCA, May 10: The Dacca University classes reopened to-day after the disturbances on February 2 but the attendance was very thin. Khan Bahadur Dr. M. Hasan, Vice-Chancellor told the Associated Press that some classes were held though the attendance was thin. Women students except one Muslim girl, attended the classes.—A. P.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

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JINNAH VISUALISES PAKISTAN AS "PEOPLE'S GOVT."

The following is the concluding instalment reproduced from "Dawn" of Mr. Jinnah's presidential address to the session of the All-India Muslim League held in Delhi:—

Now I come to the Britishers. They are the hardest nut to crack. What is their position? Their position is this. The Congress is a rebel organisation. It is guilty of high treason. They are the enemies of the Government and the Crown. Therefore no truck with them. They are only one party. But the overwhelming majority of the people of India was not with the Congress; but are with the British Government. What do the recent statements of the Premier say? What do the press in London say? The "Sunday Chronicle" in a leader says: "Prime Minister Churchill's message praising the gallantry of the Indian soldiers will find an echo in the heart of the British nation". Where is the echo? Mr. Churchill went into mathematical figures and he made out that the overwhelming majority of the people of India were not with the Congress. So far as the Muslim League is concerned there is not the slightest doubt, we have kept aloof and, thank God, we have kept aloof because we are between the devil and the deep sea. As I said earlier, I am not satisfied with the British who say that they are fighting the Congress to protect us and the interests of the minorities. They say they are ready and willing and in fact are dying to part with power. The Viceroy made such references during the Christmas week at Calcutta. Having declared the Congress as an outlaw what do the British say to others? They say: "How can we ignore Congress?" In that case, don't you see that not only is anybody going to believe you; but by your own admission, you are proclaiming that your anxiety, your desire, your ardent desire to move in the direction of handing over power provisionally, has been successfully held up by a rebel organisation—the Congress? It is a confession of failure on their part. Either the people of India are at the back of the Congress or they are not. If the overwhelming majority are not—as the 100 million Muslalmans are certainly not—then what is the answer to the rest of India? They say, "We can't do anything because this rebel organisation has paralysed us. We can only praise your services when you die on the battlefield and no more". Is this an honest attitude?

From this attitude can anyone believe that there is real honest desire to transfer power? Times out of number we have made it clear. But we are ignored; our party is ignored because it suits them. We are, on the contrary, accused of not helping the war effort; and we are very often threatened by this very Government that "those who are not with us are against us." Now I say, ladies and gentlemen, so far as the Muslim India is concerned, so far as we, the Mussalmans are concerned, our cup of bitterness is reaching the brimful.

If they have got any honest and capable agents they ought to be kept informed in London. I once more draw the attention of the British Government to this fact. It is a very serious situation indeed and I inform them from this platform that the cup of bitterness, disappointment—not to use any stronger language—at the shabby treatment meted out to Muslim India is a danger to them (Cheers.) You cannot continue like this. Therefore reconsider your position. What is our demand? Make a declaration. The Muslim League calls upon the British Government to come forward without any further delay with an unequivocal declaration guaranteeing to the Mussalmans the right of self-determination and to pledge themselves that they will abide by a verdict of plebiscite on the lines of the resolution passed at the Muslim League sessions in Lahore in 1940.

ATTITUDE TO WAR

The Muslim League has been ready and are still ready and willing to consider any proposals and negotiate with any party on a footing of equality the setting up of a provisional Government at the Centre in order to mobilise the resources of the country for the purpose of defence of India and the successful prosecution of the war. This resolution was passed at Bombay on August 20, 1942. That has been so far completely ignored. Now we are, in this war, kept in the position of mere spectators. I have said it once and I say it again on this occasion that whatever may be our views and opinions, there is not the slightest doubt that—a fact is a fact—India is in the war. Being in the war, whose interest is greater now? Is it more in the interest of the Britisher or is it in the interest of the United Nations who are in it, like America or is it more in our interests that we should not be reduced to mere helpless spectators by one device or other, by one manoeuvre or the other, by one excuse or the other and keep the 100 millions as they are to carry on without their co-operation? They are making a great mistake. They are not out of wood yet. Let me tell you as I have said very often: Our American friends can go to New York or Chicago if they are beaten and the British can go to London. And further I can say that their country is not going to be ruled by Hitler or Mussolini or Mikado. That to my mind is inconceivable. It may happen that America may be reduced to a second rate power after the war. That is the danger. But their danger does not go to the length that their country would be ruled by any other foreign power. What is my position? It is this. If this war is lost there is no other power. Either Japan or Hitler will come to this country and we will come under the jackboot of Hitler or Tojo. I have no Chicago or London to go to. What about us? Who is more interested to defend this country and prosecute this war—it is not a sentimental thing—I say nobody more than we, (Cheers). It is we who will suffer the ravages of war and destruction and emasculation of our homes and hearths in Muslim zones on the east, west which are the immediate targets of the enemy. Who is more likely to lose, who is more likely to suffer than we? Who is more interested in defending India? It is thoroughly dishonest for the British to say that we are non-co-operating and it is more dishonest to say that we are not co-operating. The Muslim League says "We cannot co-operate because you want us to come in as mere camp-followers. What are the prospects for me? What will be the fruit of victory for us, when we have given our money, our blood and everything? If we are defeated Japan or Germany will come. If we win we are just camp-followers and may get a 'BAKSHEESH' in the end. Is this an incentive to co-operation? Can any honourable, self-respecting or organised nation accept that position? (cries of No No). That is the picture. Therefore either they have blundered and are blundering or really they do not want to part with power. They are taking the chance as a gambler does, saying to themselves: "If we win we will keep them where they are. If we lose them after us the deluge!" 'apres mois L' deluge".

I do not want to say anything more about Pakistan. There is no difficulty in understanding Pakistan. Even outsiders have understood it. Again it reminded me of Gokhale when Major Yeats Brown in his new book says: "Let us put ourselves in Muslim slippers". Here is the passage from his book.

"Let us put ourselves in Muslim slippers. We, British, would consider ourselves aggrieved if some world-improving superman or super-Government were to decree that we should be ruled by an All-Europe Government (no doubt with safeguards) with the Teutons as the dominant race—or Slavs if you prefer—because we were a minority in Europe."

Then he says further: "Even if this super-Government consisted of supermen of infinite strength and wisdom, we should submit to it only just so long as we had not the strength to throw off the shackles. And if the supermen showed signs of doubting their own decisions, yet continued to asseverate before the world that they had offered freedom to all Europe that it was now incumbent on us to find a solution to the difficulty, we should reply as the Muslim League has that such freedom was a farce."

May I add here that Mr. Gandhi the superman, precisely wants Akhand Hindustan and Muslim India cannot and will not agree to this demand. What would the Englishman say? Will he then say: "Smaller nations cannot exist. We are in a small island; only 35 million people. They are Teuton brothers. The Germans are 80 millions." If a proposal was made that they should have one Government would the Englishman agree? What is the difference between an Englishman and a Greman? To begin with they are the Anglo-Saxon race and all Christians. Their dress is not different. Their calendar is not different. Their language and jurisprudence and culture are not very much different. Their architecture, art and music and civilisation are not different. But what would an Englishman say? What would Canada say, if to-morrow a proposal was made that Canada and United States should become one federated Government and Canada to become one of the units? Then what about others—North America and South America? America, is geographically one. So is Europe. So is Asia. What would they say if such a proposition were made? Therefore Major Yeats Brown says they rightly "put yourselves into Muslim slippers". Even if the Government consisted of supermen of infinite strength and wisdom we should not submit to it just as long as we do not have the strength to throw off the shackles. The Muslim League would however consider such a freedom as a farce. (Cheers and applause).

"HINDU CONCEPTION" OF FREEDOM.

This is what is required to be considered by the Hindu leaders. The freedom they are offering to us is the freedom of their conception, the freedom of their determination, the freedom of their rule which is a farce (Cheers). Well therefore there is no difficulty in understanding. First of all we have got to settle the basis. Do you want to really create some confusion and get some material for the purpose of propaganda? I have no doubt in my mind that a large body of us visualise Pakistan as People's Government. Either you seize it by force or get it by agreement. But until you get it whether it is from a foreign nation or whether it is our own Government, the question as to the constitution and the form and system of a Government does not arise. Let us take the revolution of France. The party that wanted to break the Government had to have a Constituent Assembly after they seized the country. Take the case of Australia that happened by agreement. Let us first agree that there shall be two Indias. Then the constitution-making body will be elected by some system from the people and it is the people who will choose their representatives to go to the constitution-making body. Therefore, I visualise a constitution-making body will be set up and based on a very low franchise. It may be two annas, or it may be an adult franchise in Pakistan. You will elect your representatives to the constitution-making body. You may not know your power, you may not know how to use it. This would be your fault. But I am sure that democracy is in our blood. It is in our marrows. Only centuries of adverse circumstances have made the circulation of that blood cold. It has got frozen and your arteries are not functioning. But thank God, the blood is circulating again, thanks to the Muslim League efforts. It will be a People's Government.

WARNING TO LANDLORDS AND CAPITALISTS

Here I should like to give a warning to the landlords and capitalists who have flourished at our expense by a system which is so vicious, which is so wicked and which makes them so selfish that it is difficult to reason with them (tremendous applause). The exploitation of the masses has gone into their blood. They have forgotten the lessons of Islam. Greed and selfishness have made these people subordinate the interests of others in order to fatten themselves. It is true we are not in power to-day. You go anywhere to the country side I visited some villages. There are millions and millions of our people who hardly get one meal a day. Is this civilisation? Is this the aim of Pakistan? (cries of No, No). Do you visualise that millions have been exploited and cannot get one "meal a day? If that is the idea of Pakistan. I would not have it. (Cheers). If they are wise they will have to adjust themselves to the new modern conditions of life. If they don't, God help them; we shall not help them. (Hear, hear, renewed cheers and applause). Therefore let us have faith in ourselves. Let us not falter or hesitate. That is our goal. We are going to achieve it. (Cheers). The constitution of Pakistan can only be framed by the Milat and the people. Prepare yourselves and see that you frame a constitution which is to your heart's desire. There is a lot of misunderstanding. A lot of mischief is created. Is it going to be a Islamic Government? Is it not begging the question? It is not a question of passing a vote of censure on yourself? The constitution and the Government will be what the people will decide. The only question is that of minorities.

MINORITIES' PLEA.

The Minorities are entitled to get a definite assurance or ask: 'Where do we stand in the Pakistan that you visualise?' That is an issue of giving a definite and clear assurance to the minorities. We have done it. We have passed a resolution that the minorities must be protected and safeguarded to the fullest extent and as I said before any civilised Government will do it and ought to do it. So far as we are concerned our own history our prophet have given the clearest proof that non-Muslims have been treated not only justly and fairly but generously. (Cheers and applause).

Now one more thing I wish to say about Pakistan, is this. There is a new propaganda. We had many wicked propagandas like the one cutting the mother Cow into two, vivisection of mother India and all the rest. The latest argument which I think is really very wicked, of all, the most wicked. The argument is this: that Mr. Jinnah is working for the territories in the North West and East zones as 'Pak' and the other "Na-Pak" I have heard this from several quarters—and I was thunderstruck. You know what false propaganda can do. I think you will bear me out that when we passed the Lahore resolution we had not used the word 'Pakistan'. Who gave us this word? (Cries of "Hindus"): Let me tell you it is their fault. They started damning this resolution on the ground that it was Pakistan. They are really ignorant of the Muslim movement. They fathered this word upon us. 'Give the dog a bad name and then hang him'. They shouted Pan-Islamism. When this was exploded then came "Pakistan", means alliance with other Muslim countries—Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran and Turkey—and they will grind down Hindu India. That is the deep game they are playing. You know perfectly well that Pakistan is a word which is really foisted upon us and fathered on us by some section of the Hindu Press and also by the British Press. Now our resolution was known for a long time as the Lahore resolution popularly known as Pakistan. But how long are we to have this long phrase. I now say to my Hindu and British friends, We thank you for giving us one word. (Applause, and cries of hear, hear).

What is the origin of the word Pakistan. It was not Muslim League or Quaid-e-Azam who coind it. Some young fellows in London, who wanted a particular part of north west to be separated from the rest of India coined a name in 1929-30 started the idea and called a zone Pakistan. They picked up the letter P for Punjab, A for Afghan as the N.W.F.P. is known, even to-day as Afghan, K for Kashmir, S. for Sind, and Tan for Baluchistan. A name was coined. Thus whatever may have been the meaning of this word at the time it is obvious that language of every civilized country invents new words. The word Pakistan has come to mean Lahore Resolution. We wanted a word and it was foisted on us and we found it convenient to use it as a synonym for Lahore resolution.

LOOSE FEDERATION

We are told by some constitutional Pandits, Why can't there be some sort of loose federation or confederation. People talk like that. I shall read out to you what I have written on this point because it is important:—

There are people who talk of some sort of a loose Federation. There are people who talk of giving the widest freedom to the federating units and residuary powers resting with the units. But they forget the entire constitutional history of the various parts of the world. Federation, however described and in whatever terms it is put, must ultimately deprive the federating units of the authority in all vital matters. The units, despite themselves would be compelled to grant more and more powers to the Central Authority until in the end the strong Central Government will have been established by the units themselves and they will be driven to do so by absolute necessity, if the basis of a Federal Government is accepted. Taking for instance the United States and her history, the Dominion of Canada and Australia, the Union of South Africa and Germany and of other lands where federal or confederal systems have been in existence, necessity has driven the component members and obliged them to increase and delegate their power and authority to the connecting link, namely the Central Government.

These ideas are based entirely on a wrong footing, due to want of correct understanding as to what really Federation means or implies. It is not of much importance whether the Units in theory have the residuary powers or the Centre. But once the units accept the basis of a Federal Central Government it follows that it will inevitably and out of sheer necessity resolve itself into an all-powerful Central Authority and the units will be compelled to grant and delegate more and more powers to the Centre, which also can hold these units as connecting links, more or less like a country council or glorified Municipalities or feudatories states under the central authority.

We are opposed to any scheme, nor can we agree to any proposal which has for its basis any conception or idea of a Central Government—Federal or Confederal—for it is bound to lead in the long run to the emasculation of the entire Muslim nation, socially educationally, culturally, economically or politically and to the establishment of the Hindu Majority Raj in this sub-continent.

Therefore, remove from your mind any idea of some form of such loose federation. There is no such thing as loose federation. When there is Central Government and Provincial Government they will go on tightening, tightening, and tightening until you are pulverised with regard to your powers as units.

There is one other point. Recently another unfortunate thing has come to my notice. Things were not at all well in Indian States. I shall name only some of the States, Kashmir, Gwalior and Kotah. It seems to me that it is most unfortunate and I appeal to those States, where the Hindus are in the majority and where there is real Hindu power, to set a better example. Similarly I shall advise those Muslim Rulers where the Mussalmans are in the majority that they should treat the minority community fairly and deal with their legitimate grievances suitably. It is not the way we will deal with the problem of India that wherever you happen to be in the majority you should wreak your vengeance or bitterness on the minority; you would be nearer the solution of the problem if you protect the minority. I hope that some satisfactory solution will be arrived at. I shall be equally grieved if the Muslim power or Muslim majorities will ill-treat the Hindu minorities.

There remains finally one thing. I say to the Mussalmans we have gone nearly 7 years through various vicissitudes and we have reached the stage, where there is not the slightest doubt, that the 100 million Mussalmans are with us. When I say 100 million Mussalmans, I mean that 99 per cent of them are with us—leaving aside some who are traitors, cranks, supermen or lunatics an evil from which no society or nation is free. The way in which I see events now is that the phoenix-like rise and regeneration of Muslim India from the very ashes of its ruination after the terrible destructions in India in the 18th and the 19th Centuries is a miracle (cheers). The people who had lost everything and who were placed by providence between the two stones of a mill not only came to its own in a very short time but became, after the British, socially the most solid, militarily the most virile and politically the most decisive factor in modern India. (Loud cheers).

Now it is time to take up the constructive programme to build up this Nation so that it can march on the path of our goal of Pakistan. It is for you all to put your heads together, your Council of the All-India Muslim League and undertake proper and systematic planning, I can only repeat once again, for educational uplift, social uplift economic uplift, and cultural uplift to the nation. We as a nation have got to attempt this constructive programme. I hope you will be able to do it. In the meantime, I will only conclude by saying! The goal is near stand united persevere and march forward (loud and prolonged cheers).

(CONCLUDED)

RAISMAN STILL AT IT

Plans For Freezing Dividends?

The "New Delhi" Correspondent of the "Pioneer" writes:—

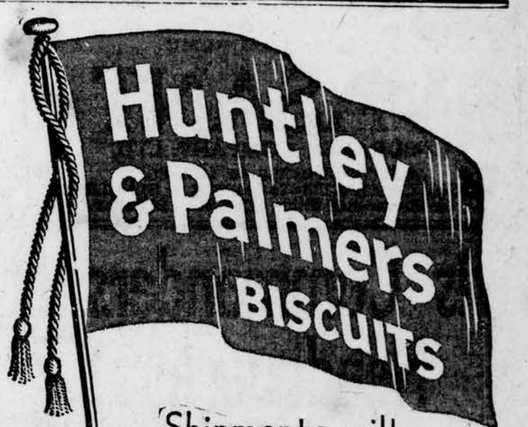
Inflation and hoarding are two dangers to the home front and Government's plans to meet them are now ready and will be launched within a week.

As for inflation, the plan, it is believed, is to attack profits, thereby curtailing the purchasing power now in the hands of a few. This is likely to be done by tightening the machinery for collection of the E. P. Tax. The raising of the E. P Tax is also not ruled out.

The question of freezing dividends is being examined by the legal pandits here to overcome certain legal and technical difficulties. Side by side an "austerity campaign" is likely to be launched to induce people to spend less on consumer's goods.

The question of importing silver under Lend-Lease in order to contract a certain amount of currency now in circulation is under examination here. It is learnt that Government are launching a strenuous anti-hoarding drive, particularly in regard to the standard cloth, cotton piecegoods and coal.

As for the food front the results of the "Grow More Food" campaign have been entirely satisfactory and in order to maintain the present acreage under food crops Government are expected to reiterate their assurance to the cultivator that they would come into the market to purchase the standing food crops and other crops, such as cotton, whenever prices slumped to an uneconomic level.



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DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

MAZDAZNAN: Dr. A. D. Edal-Behram will speak on the "Science of Health and Breath" at Mazdaznan Hall, to-day (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m.

SAVARKAR PURSE COLLECTION: Secretaries of Girgaum Hindu Sabha write to say that Rs. 3,000 have been collected so far for Savarkar Purse Fund and the work of collection is still going on.

BADLAWALLA UNION: All the traders, factory owners and workers are hereby informed that according to the decision of the above Union, there will be general increase of 6 annas per tola in double fancy work and 3 annas per tola in single fancy work, from May 11, 1943, says Nazer Husein, President, Badlawalla Union, Bombay.

Railway Federation's Demand

A meeting of the Central Executive Committee of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Employees' Union, held under the presidentship of Mr. V. B. Karnik, passed a resolution supporting the All-India Railwaymen's Federation's decision to apply for Adjudication in the matter of the dispute arising out of the Railway Board's refusal to grant Rs. 30 as dearness allowance at a flat rate to all the subordinate railway staff irrespective of the place where they are working and requesting the railway workers to strengthen the Union to win their demand for dearness allowance and to face the serious situation that may arise as a result of Government's refusal to adjudicate the dispute. By another resolution the meeting decided to lead a deputation to the Administration in the matter of railway workers' grievances and difficulties regarding grain shops opened by the Railway.

Bengal's Tribute To Tagore

CALCUTTA, May 10.

Bengal is celebrating the birthday anniversary of the late Dr. Rabindranath Tagore who was born 83 years ago.

Different associations and institutions in city are holding meetings and functions at different places.

The "Amrita Bazar Patrika" joining in offering respectful homage to the poet's memory says: "Dr. Rabindranath is dead. But his spirit lives and will continue to inspire the nation struggling to become free from the political and social bondage."

The "Hindustan Standard" says: "A born believer in the ideal of world fellowship, his last days were strewn with shattered illusions and his faith in the British justice shaken to its foundations."—United Press.

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Results Of M.B.B.S. 1st & 2nd Year Exams.

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The following candidates have passed:—

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The Scholarships have been awarded to:—

The Sir James Fergusson Scholarship in Medicine and The Lady Reay Medical Scholarship to No. 103; The Dr. Yeshwant Govind Nadgir Scholarship will be awarded later.

SECOND EXAM RESULTS

The Second Examination for the Degrees of M.B., B.S. held under the University of Bombay on April, 1943.

The following candidates have passed:—

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The Bai Ratanbai Ratanji Lentin Scholarship is awarded to Candidate No. 24.

"Bombay Provincial Muslim Youth Federation"

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. Allarakha Petiwalla and Mr. A. Husein, Jt. Gen. Secretaries, Bombay Provincial Muslim Youth Federation write:—

The organising Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim Youth Federation, under the chairmanship of Mr. Adam Adil, at their office, near Portuguese Church, Girgaum, have decided to visit certain chawls on alternate Sundays in the Muslim localities, to study the social conditions with the view to get them bettered through the landlords and the Bombay Municipality. The Committee earnestly hopes that the Muslim public will co-operate with the Federation, in this, for the betterment of the social conditions of the Muslim masses in the city.

Secondly the Committee has decided to collect old secondhand books with the view, to distribute them among the poor and deserving Muslim students who cannot afford to buy books. The Committee earnestly appeals to the educated section of the city, irrespective of the community, to generously send such books to the office of the Federation, where, those Muslim students who are in need of such books will get them from the Secretaries.

Thirdly, the Committee has also decided to start free tuition classes for deserving Muslim students who appear for the next Matriculation Examination. Such students are requested to send their names to Secretaries as soon as possible to get admission. The place where the classes will be started will be made known to the students individually.

The Committee appeals to the Muslim youths to co-operate with the Federation in the noble tasks they have undertaken.

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A resolution approving of the suggestion of the Board of Directors that the capital of the company be increased from Rs. 12,00,000 to Rs. 18,00,000 by the creation of 6,000 new shares of Rs. 100 each was passed at an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Morarjee Goculdas' Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd., in Bombay, on Saturday. The new shares will be offered at a premium of Rs. 400 per share, in the first instance, to the present shareholders, or their nominees, in the proportion of one new share for every two old shares. The last date of payment for the new share is fixed as July 31, 1943.

PRICES OF ORDINARY CLOTHING RISE BY LEAPS & BOUNDS

Prominent Indians Urge Govt. To Exercise Control

The urgent necessity of the Government taking immediate steps to control the price of cloth and the production and sale of yarn in view of the uninterrupted rise in the price of cotton goods, is stressed in a statement issued over the signatures of a number of prominent Indians.

The signatories include Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, Mr. C. Viyaja Raghavachariar, Mr. M. S. Aney, Sir M. Vishveshvaraya, Sir Chimanlal Setalvad, Mr. Jayakar, Mr. N. C. Kelkar, Sir Gokulchnd Narang, Mr. Govindlal Shivlal Motilal, Pandit Radhakant Malaviya and Mr. Narayanlal Bansilal.

The following is the text of the statement:—

One of the most distressing developments which the present has brought in its train is that people of ordinary means are unable to get adequate supplies of essentials of life at reasonable prices.

Next to food, clothing is the most important thing required by every human being, rich and poor alike. Reports from various markets show that the prices of cotton goods are registering uninterrupted rise.

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The prices of ordinary clothing required by the middle-class and poor population have risen by several hundreds per cent.

RISE IN PRICES BY SEVERAL HUNDREDS P C.

Prices have further increased by one rupee per lb. in all these. Doties worn by ordinary people can now be purchased only by paying about Rs. 1 when formerly they could be bought for Rs. 2 per piece.

It will be seen that mill quotations have gone up by four and a half times since the outbreak of war. The above prices are ex-mill prices and the middle-men add their own profits before they reach the consumer.

It is time the Government took immediate steps to save the people from the consequences of the anti-social way of speculators and profiteers.

It is necessary to bring cloth under control and fix a price for the same. Along with the control of price of cloth, it is essential to control the production and sale of yarn as has been done by the Government of Madras.

If the price of yarn is fixed and encouragement is given to handloom industry, it will be possible to meet the growing need of the poor and middle-class people.

On an occasion like this, so mercy should be shown to speculators and profiteers. The time has come when immediate drastic steps have to be taken to relieve the suffering of the people.—A. P.

Fine For Overstoring Grain Stocks

VIRUDHUNAGAR, May 9.

Mr. J. P. L. Gwynn, Joint Magistrate, Ramnad Division sentenced Thangiah Nadar a rice merchant of Kamurthi town near Virudhunagar to pay a fine of Rs. 600 in default to undergo three months' imprisonment under the food grain control order for storing over twenty maunds of bolied rice without license.—A. P.

G. V. Krupanidhi

NEW DELHI, May 11.

Mr. G. V. Krupanidhi has from today been appointed Joint Editor of the "Hindustan Times" in place of Mr Subramanyam, who has become editor of the "Tribune," Lahore.

DELHI SHOP ASSISTANTS CONFERENCE

NEW DELHI, May 11.

The third anunal session of the Delhi Provincial Shop Assistants' Conference will be held on May 15 and 16 in the Gandhi Grounds, Delhi. Mr. S. A. Dange, President of the All-India Trade Union Congress, has been requested to preside over the Conference and Dr. Ashraf is expected to inaugurate the Conference.—United Press.

ROBBED OF SMALL COINS OF RS. 18,000 WORTH

LUCKNOW:—A Bania who, it is alleged, had collected small coins worth Rs. 18,000 in an underground cellar was robbed of his hoardings on Monday night when thieves broke into his house and got away with the haul, according to a report received here from Fyzabad.—A. P.

CUT WIFE'S NOSE

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

For reasons known to him alone, Ibrahim Abdul Rahiman took it into his head to disfigure his 13-year-old wife by cutting her nose. He thereafter escaped, but subsequently surrendered himself to the police.

The incident happened on Monday last.

Charged with causing grievous hurt, the accused was placed before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, today, when the police stated that at the time of the assault the accused has just returned from Poona.

He appeared quite self-composed and there was no trace of anger on his face. He took tea with his wife and mother-in-law. Subsequently when the wife was near the water-tap, he suddenly took out his knife, rushed at her and cut her nose.

The accused was ordered to be remanded into police custody till May 25.

Constable Runs Amock

PATNA, May 11.

A constable posted at the Patna Camp Jail is reported last evening to have fired a number of shots wounding a havildar and another person.

It is stated that the constable had asked for permission to go out shopping which had not been granted.

The man has been arrested.—A. P.

TRIBUTES TO MAHARAJA GAEKWAD

A large gathering of Hindus had assembled at Gitamandir Ahmedabad, on 9th May to express their sense of obligation to H. H. the Maharaja of Baroda for kindly abolishing pilgrim taxes at Dwarka. Amongst those present were Swami Vidyanandji, the President, Millowners' Association, Ahmedabad, leading mill agents, and merchants, representatives of Sampradayas and a number of other prominent men and women.

LOOKING AFTER PERSONNEL OF B. C. D. O.

"The army fights on its stomach. The same applies to any large organisation with a paid personnel. It is obvious, therefore, that the large number of men employed by the Bombay Civil Defence Organisation should be properly looked after for the efficient execution of the duties that are, and will be entrusted to them. They have to be kept in proper mettle, properly fed and provided with facilities for recreation", said Mr. P. K. Kapila, Controller in charge of the welfare of Civil Defence personnel of Bombay in the course of a talk from the Bombay Station of the All-India Radio on Tuesday night.

CALCUTTA:—Opening the first Social Hygiene Exposition held in Calcutta, Dr. J. B. Grant, Director of the All-India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health, advocated the organisation of Free Prophylactic Clinics in the city to fight social diseases.

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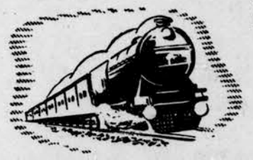

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All-India Weather Report

POONA:—The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on May 7, 1943:—
Allahabad 109 89 0, Bombay 92 79 0, Calcutta 95 78 0, Cawnpore 106 80 0, Cuttack 102 71 1.0, Darjeeling 60 51 0.1, Delhi 104 71 0, Dehra Dun 95 63 T, Jacobabad 108 79 0, Karachi 83 79 0, Lahore 10 71 0, Lucknow 107 78 0 Madras 91 79 0, Nagpur 112 81 0, Patna 100 78 0, Peshawar 95 65 0 Shillong 72 57 0.1, Simla 73 50 0.1.—A.P.

"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it".

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The Bombay Chronicle

"EXCLUSIVE RESPONSIBILITY"

At the last session of the Council of State, Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru perpetrated a crime. He had the audacity to say that the Arakan operations had been undertaken to impress Indian public opinion. General Sir Alan Hartley, India's Deputy Commander-in-Chief, was shocked. In all his forty years' experience he had never heard such a "fatuous" suggestion. And he said so, adding, further to overwhelm Pandit Kunzru, that an experienced and responsible Commander like Field Marshal Wavell could not possibly dream of risking valuable lives merely to impress the public. Whether Pandit Kunzru was right or scandalously wrong, we are to-day irresistibly reminded of the incident and of the attitude that Sir Alan Hartley struck on the occasion.

The Arakan campaign is comparable, not in extent or degree but certainly in kind, to the tragedy of Malaya. Is this statement an Indian exaggeration? Even General Hartley would not say that. Except for the first week or so in which British and Indian troops entered and established themselves in an area north and north-east of Akyab the land operations constitute a story of withdrawal after withdrawal under Japanese pressure. It is a painful and irritating tale of failure, of failure for which there is no excuse and for which certainly the credit does not go to the Japanese except in so far as they took advantage, as any average military command would do, of the blundering commissions and omissions of their opponents. That story is now approaching its pitiful end. We are being prepared to receive shortly the news that a Dunkirk—on a very minor scale, but a Dunkirk nevertheless—has been achieved successfully and without any interference—that is, the formula—by the enemy. What a beginning and what an end and timed, too, with the momentous victory in Tunisia!

How did it all come about? The answer is supplied in a revealing and, as an habitual friend of the Government of India and the India Command has itself said, "devastatingly frank" form in two despatches from the special correspondent—he does not appear to be an Indian either—of the Associated Press. Read together, they mean nothing less than this that those, who were responsible for the campaign, displayed, in strategy, tactics, utilisation of communication, in fact, under every possible head and from the beginning to the end, stupidity, inefficiency and ineptitude to a degree which could not have been conceived of. Is this, we ask again, an Indian exaggeration? Even, apart from the plaintive complaint of "a completely supine policy" and utter neglect of the lessons of Malaya—what does General Hartley say to that?—by the apologist we have referred to above, let us refer to but two of the many sins for which, according to the A. P. correspondent, the India Command are responsible. First, with a full year of rich experience behind them they had not enough trained troops available and had to use "raw" and inexperienced soldiers! Second, the first requisite of their own scheme was the capturing of Akyab but the India Command either did not arrange for, or were ignorant of the lack of, shipping. And be it noted and emphasized that the head of the India Command which planned the strategy, the experienced Field Marshal Wavell, is also the head of the naval and air arms of the forces in this country! What adjective would Sir Alan Hartley suggest for the irresponsibility and ineptitude which have been disclosed by the A. P. despatches and which have cost so many lives and are going to cost so much material before it is all over?

But a problem is here raised which goes beyond the tragic fiasco of Arakan, to say nothng of the egregious solemnity of General Sir Alan Hartley. The airy nonchalance with which the India Command have ignored both the bitter lessons of Malaya and even the first principles of military strategy provokes inevitably the question: What about those persistent claims that the defence of India must remain an exclusive responsibility in the interest of an efficient conduct of that defence? What about those imperious refusals by Sir Stafford Cripps, the British War Cabinet, Lord Linlithgow and Sir Archibald Wavell himself to let India share in that defence? Could the position have been worse under a National Government rejected by Sir Stafford Cripps than what it is to-day? The answer is not difficult. But we recognize that the problem raised by the failure of the present system is not practical so long as there remain Messrs. Churchill and Amery in Britain, and, in India, Lord Linlithgow, his provincial satraps and the present India Command to insist upon defending and protecting India.

The Wrong Way

The Bihar Government have published a Bill which seeks to provide for "a more legal sanction for the enforcement of village responsibility than is now existing." The Bill gives statutory recognition to the organisation of village patrols and provides for the patrols being made responsible for the guarding of Government property other than communications. It also provides for the imposition of collective fines when protective duties are neglected. In short the Bill puts heavier responsibilities on the villagers irrespective of their capacity to discharge them. And when they and the officials both fail to discharge their common responsibilities the latter quietly absolve themselves and put collective fines on the former. This is neither fair nor just. But it has been common enough in Bihar and elsewhere. The Bihar Government, perhaps now suspect that there may be some illegality lurking behind executive measures and are trying to give them a better colour of law. But a Governor's law is nothing more than a series of executive measures. It cannot be called the law of the land in the sense of an expression of the will of the people. It is an imposition on the people of the will of a constitutionally irresponsible executive. It has not even the merit of being just to the people. The only way to enlist their full co-operation is to stop coercing them and start conciliating and serving them.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Let The Mahasabha Answer

In misrepresenting the Congress the Hindu Mahasabha is not to be beaten either by the Muslim League or the Government. All the three vie with one another in discrediting the Congress. The Working Committee of the Mahasabha describes the Congress as being "ready to agree to a cent per cent transfer of power to the League." But the fact is that the Congress wants cent per cent transfer of power to the Indian Legislature. It will not mind who forms the Cabinet, the League or the Mahasabha or any other body, so long as it is a real Cabinet enjoying the confidence of the Legislature. Does the Mahasabha prefer the present position to the one demanded by the Congress?

Inhuman If True

Lala Ram Ratan Gupta, M.L.A. (Central) says in a press statement: "We have been informed that the detenus in U. P. are not allowed to maintain correspondence with their friends and relatives. We are informed that the ban on correspondence has operated so strictly that even when relatives and friends of detenus died, no information was allowed to be sent to the persons concerned." This is inhuman, if true. There can be no harm whatsoever in permitting a reasonable number of letters to and from relatives and friends, so long at any rate as the letters deal with non-political matters. The same may be said of interviews in the presence of jail officials. Yet detenus are denied interviews in most, if not all, provinces. Are the authorities out to break the morale of the detenus through all sorts of privations? If thousands must be jailed without even a semblance of trial and without a shred of evidence against them, can they not be treated at least as human beings?

Discourteous

It is necessary for European military officers to be courteous in their dealings with Indians even in exercising their own rights. It appears from a statement issued by Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh, Editor of the "A. B. Patrika," that while travelling by rail from Allahabad to Delhi he was compelled by a military officer to vacate a berth in a four-berth compartment, though he had been assigned it by a railway official. If the chalked inscription "Reserved for the Defence Department" in a corner of the door was a genuine substitute for the usual placard, the railway official would not have ignored it. In any case as the berth in question was not needed by officer it was unnecessary to force Mr. Ghosh out of it. And the alleged aggressive manner of the officer was sadly lacking in the courtesy expected of him.

Control Cloth

The appeal issued by a number of prominent Indians appealing to Government to control cloth comes not a day too soon. For a pretty long time past the prices of all kinds of cloth have been unconscionably high. As the appeal points out, mill quotations have gone up by four and a half times and middle men add their own profits before the cloth reaches the consumer. It is certainly time Government took immediate steps to control the production and price of cloth. We also agree that if the price of yarn is fixed and encouragement is given to the handloom industry it will appreciably increase production. The same result will follow if handspinning is encouraged by all those who believe in its potentiality. Khadi organisers should not be content with urging people to buy only certified Khadi. They should make better efforts to produce more Khadi.

MUSLIMS AND SIKHS IN PUNJAB

Signs Of Closer Alliance

(From Our Correspondent)

LAHORE, May 11.

A section of the Akali High Command is away from Hindus and attempts are being made to forge a link with the League under the cover of hostile attitude of the Hindu press towards some Akali leaders.

The Akali High Command now seems to prefer the Muslim League.

A powerful section of Hindus consider it unfortunate they are not prepared to break with the Sikhs at any cost.

It is further learnt that Akalis will sponsor a Communal Unity Board in the Punjab. Mr. Jinnah may be invited to inaugurate the Board. If Mr. Jinnah accepts the invitation, Master Tara Singh may inaugurate a complementary section somewhere else. If such Boards are formed, the projected Akali League Parliamentary alliances in the Punjab and N.W.F.P. may be taken for granted.

Charge Against Muslim Writers Of Bengalee Repudiated

CALCUTTA, May 10.

The Bengal Provincial Muslim Literary Conference commenced here this afternoon. Sir A. F. Rehman, Sheriff of Calcutta, welcomed the delegates as Chairman of the Reception Committee and repudiated the charges against Muslim writers that they were importing unnecessary words from Arabic and Persian into Bengali language. He asserted that the growth of Bengali language was due to the patronage it received from Muslim Kings in Bengal. Besides a large number of Muslim literary men Sir Nazimuddin, Premier, Messrs. Tamizuddin Khan and K. Shahabuddin and others were present.—Orient Press.

U. S. Second War Loan Drive

WASHINGTON, May 11.

The United States Treasury announced to-night that securities totalling 18,533 million dollars had been sold in the second war loan drive.

This is 5,533 million dollars more than was originally sought.—Reuter.

Madras Journalist Jailed For Railway Sabotage

42 ACCUSED CONVICTED IN SULUR ARSON CASE

(THROUGH A. P. AND U. P.)

CHENGLEPUT, May 11.

Judgment was delivered to-day by the Special Judge, Mr. N. D. Krishna Rao in what is known as the Shiyali Sabotage Case.

Out of the eight accused in the case one had already been discharged and to-day Mr. T. V. Ganesan Sub-Editor "Dhinamani" and Mr. A. Krishnamurthy Iyer were acquitted and the other five convicted. Mr. M. Ramaratnam Associate Editor of the "Ananda Vikatan" the first accused, was sentenced to seven years' R. I., Mr. R. Subbaroyan to five years' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 1,000 and the other three accused to three years' R. I. each.

The accused were charged under the Railway Act and the Explosive Substances Act with conspiracy to blow up a railway bridge near Shiyali, South Indian Railway.

JAIL FOR 42 ACCUSED

COIMBATORE, May 10: Delivering judgment in what is known as the Sulur Arson Case after a trial lasting more than three months, the Special judge convicted and sentenced 40 of the accused to seven years' R. I. and two to two years' R. I. each. The remaining 46 accused were acquitted.

Marappa Gounden and 93 others, of whom six were discharged after preliminary enquiry, were in this case charged under various sections of the Defence of India Rules and the Indian Penal Code. The prosecution stated that the accused had committed acts of sabotage and caused damage to properties.

TWO POLICEMEN JAILED

CALCUTTA, May 11: Mahomed Jonabali and Ragho Singh, two constables of the Calcutta Police, were convicted by the Police Magistrate of Alipore under the Essential Services (Maintenance) Ordinance and sentenced to three weeks' R. I. each for absenting themselves from duty without permission.

BOMB CASE ACCUSED ACQUITTED

SURAT, May 11: The Resident First Class Magistrate of Anand acquitted and ordered the release of Chimanlal Naranbhai and Chimanlal Manibhai, both of whom were charged with having placed bombs in the compound of a local school. Dr. Ramanlal P. Gandhi, President of the Mehmadabad Municipality, has been released on parole.

SYLHET BAN

TEZPUR, May 11: By an order under the Defence of India Rules, the Governor of Assam has prohibited processions, meetings or assemblies in the district of Sylhet except under special permission from the District Magistrate for a further period of six months with effect from May 14.

COLLECTIVE FINE

A collective fine of Rs. 500 has been imposed on the inhabitants of Bhaira and Bangalikuehi villages of the Kamrup District.

Two Assamese youngmen, who were arrested under the Defence of India Rules were released from Tezpur.

Messrs. Jajeram Sarma and Nidhiram Sarma, two Congressmen of Mangaldai were released from the Tezpur jail.

Mr. Bhogram Barach of Jamuguri who was arrested under the Defence of India Rules has been acquitted.

THREE SECURITY PRISONERS RELEASED

JUBBULPORE, May 11: Messrs. Prabhag Chandra Sharma, Editor of the "Agami Kal", a Hindi weekly from Khandwa, Ramdas Gyani of Burhanpur and Thakur Chhattarsing of Khandwa, who had been interned as security prisoners were released as the result of the cancellation of the detention order on them by the Provincial Government.

SARDUL SINGH KAVEESHAR TO BE PRODUCED IN COURT

LAHORE, May 11.

Following an urgent 'Habeas Corpus petition, Mr. Justice Mohomed Munir of the Lahore High Court issued orders for the production before the Court of Sardar Sardul Singh Caveeshar now detained under Rule 26 of the Defence of India Rules, on May 17.

The Assistant Advocate-General on behalf of the Crown accepted the notice but raised on objection to the order of production and submitted that he would put in a petition stating the reason for the same. His Lordship fixed May 13 for hearing the arguments on the Crown objection. His Lordship also directed the production of the original order of detention.—United Press.

TREATMENT OF DETENUS IN U. P. JAILS

No Interviews Not Even Letters Permitted

Lala Ram Ratan Gupta, M.L.A., (Central), Joint Secretary and Treasurer of the Nationalist Party, writes:—

The public is permitted to know nothing about the life of the security prisoners in the jails of the United Provinces. Sir Maurice Hallet's Government has thoroughly succeeded in 'burying alive' (a phrase which Sir George (now Lord Lloyd) was very fond of using in connection with Mahatma Gandhi's incarceration)—thousands of men and hundreds of women behind the prison walls. We are not allowed to know anything about them. The Government of the United Provinces have not issued any official communique about them. We do not know what their lot has been during the last eight months. Information has, however, trickled down through such men as have been released. Whatever we have been able to glean from these sources has convinced us that the political detenus in the United Provinces are not being treated properly. The restrictions, which have been imposed upon them, have worked havoc in many cases. The rules which are framed for regulating lives of the detenus have been changed in many respects to the utter disadvantage of the prisoners. All these changes have been brought about with the ostensible object of maintaining peace and tranquility in the Province. But in actual fact, desire for peace has nothing to do with the changes. The pernicious principle of classification of the detenus into three divisions has been re-introduced. Is it not strange that this very Government which a year before abolished every trace of distinction between a detenu and a detenu, should have again brought in this system of classification? After all, the detenus are not prisoners in the sense in which the word is generally, and even legally, understood. They have not been convicted of any offence. They have been detained on mere suspicion, rather, on the very questionable apprehension, of the local authorities that they (detenus) were about to act in a particular manner. That being the position, the U. P. Government should have treated everybody so arrested with care and humane considerations. But the Government's ways are inscrutable.

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We have been informed that the detenus in U. P. are not allowed to maintain correspondence with their friends and relatives. This is really strange. The Sind and the Bengal Governments do not find anything objectionable in permitting the security prisoners in these provinces to write and receive letters to and from their friends and relatives. But the U. P. Government would not do so. This very Government had made the rules that the security prisoners would write two and receive four letters per week, that they would have weekly interviews that they would get daily newspapers and magazines, that they would be permitted to have writing materials, that they could supplement their food and get money deposited at the jail office for their use, that they could get their musical instruments, and that they could sleep in the open air during the six summer months, i.e. from the 15th of April up to the end of October. The U. P. Government once considered all these things as absolutely essential for the security prisoners. But this time the rules have been so strict enacted that all these facilities which the detenus enjoyed before have been snatched away from them. The spirit behind these changes is not so much the maintenance of public peace and tranquility as the Government would fain have us believe.

The rule, giving the facility of ceiling pull-fans during the summer has also been held in abeyance. All these instances clearly show that a spirit vendetta has been at work.

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Owing to the ban placed on the security prisoners' correspondence, many of the detenus have been subjected to utterly irrational and easily avoidable agonies. Some have civil and revenue cases against them. Others have questions of income-tax to settle. Then, again, there may be some who left their near and dear ones in the grip of serious illnessess at the time of their arrest. The detenus do not know i.e. have not been permitted to know, what has happened to all such cases concerning themselves. We are informed that the ban on correspondence has operated so strictly that even when relatives and friends of detenus died, no information was allowed to be sent to the persons concerned.

The deprivation of the right to have weekly interviews must have resulted in making the Security Prisoners a sort of subhuman species. This dehumanising process has now gone on for eight months. It is time that the U. P. Government stops to reconsider its attitude in this connection. We can understand the reason for anxiety of the Government to shut off detenus from the rest of the world for the first two or three months of their arrest. But a continuation of that policy is beyond our comprehension.

Water Scarcity In Jogeshwari

I am one of the old settlers of "Malcolm Baug," Jogeshwari, having about 500 residents. It is a Parsi Colony, where there is total scarcity of water for over a month. For the last three days, the water pipe has been almost dry, making it impossible to collect water sufficient enough even for domestic purposes. The colony people have been obliged to go even bathless. The condition may better be imagined than described.

Typhoid fever has already penetrated into the colony in all probability due to want of water for flushing W.C.'s.

Complaint has been already made to the authorities concerned, but I regret it has so far fallen on deaf ears.

The Colony's position has become desperate, and as a last resort I approach you, in the hope that you may raise your voice to draw the timely attention of the authorities to the unfortunate consequences which may soon result if the cause of complaint is not immediately removed.

"JOGESHWARIITE."

Jogeshwari May 11, 1943.

Price Of A Slice Is Doubled, Says Bharucha

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

What I have written is a fact, the price of a slice of bread is doubled since the 4th instant! The Control Department does admit, that "there is only a slight increase in whole sale prices"! That must and does react on the price of a single slice or two. When wheat has arrived by rail and sea, the price ought to have been reduced. But in a country of Anachronisms, it is the reverse! Please stop this look, Mr. Gorvalla.

WAR AND ECONOMIC POLICY IN INDIA

The Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Poona, has published a book to-day entitled "War and Economic Policy in India." This monograph has been prepared by Messrs. D. R. Gadgil and N. V. Sovani both of the research staff of the Institute. The book lays bare with concrete illustration and data, how India is prevented from contributing her full quota to the war effort of the United Nations, because of the misconceived and uncoordinated economic policy of the Government of India.

The book is divided into two parts. Part I deals with 'currency and prices, and traces the causal relation subsisting between the recent rise of prices and the enormous expansion of currency in India. It goes on to show that the latter is mainly due to the method adopted by the Government of India for financing British and Allied purchases in this country. The 'net inflationary gap' in the Government of India's finances, during September, 1939 to March 1943, counting in the finance provided by it for purchases made on behalf of His Majesty's Government, is estimated at about Rs. 5,450 million. This gap has been filled by the creation of additional currency to the extent of about Rs. 5,390 million. As a result India is in the grip of a disastrous type of inflation; a deficit-induced fiat money inflation.

Part II deals with the appropriate 'financial and economic policy' that should be followed on this inflationary background. The first task in this direction is to put a stop to the inflationary spiral that has been set up in the country playing havoc with its war effort. It points out that the possibilities of expanding both agricultural and industrial production in India are, under the present circumstances, very limited and as pointed out by the Office of Price Administration in U.S.A. in a similar contingency) inflation is, in a sense, being substituted for production. The talk of combating inflation by increasing production pro rata, glibly indulged in by many Indian spokesmen, is thus essentially unsound.

The fact of inflation considerably hampers India's war effort and also involves the most inequitable distribution of war burden. From data gathered in research projects of the Institute it is shown that the inflationary process in India does not profit the subsistence farmer, who forms the bulk of the teeming population of the Indian countryside. The small group of middlemen and speculators are the only ones to gain by inflation a fact which has also a political significance.

To combat inflation it is necessary in the first instance, to close the 'inflationary gap' in India's finances by increased taxation and borrowing. Taxation must be raised to the highest practicable pitch and in this connection, it is pointed out how the rates and incidence of direct and indirect taxes in India in general and particularly of the income, the corporation and the excess profit taxes are very low, as compared with the Dominions, like Australia and South Africa. It is suggested that a comprehensive scheme of compulsory savings should be instituted and it should form an integral part of both the tax and loan policy of the Government of India. In order to channel the savings of the public into Government loans, all other channels of investment must be rigidly controlled and a general profit stop imposed.

To mop up the vagrant purchasing power already in the hands of the public, it is imperative that the Government of India, instead of, as at present, playing with piecemeal and half-hearted price control, should impose a blanket control of prices and freeze wages, following the example set by U.S.A. The Government must also ensure by positive measures an equitable distribution of supplies and the rationing of essential commodities must be undertaken wherever possible. In this connection, it is pointed out that, the present scheme of Standard Cloth contemplated by the Government of India is highly inadequate and defective and is likely to defeat its own purpose.

The shortage of food supplies in India is a result largely of transport difficulties. The Government of India's food policy, it is pointed out, is un-co-ordinated and decentralized to the point of disastrous inefficiency. The proper approach to this question should be on a regional basis, generally on the lines adopted by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in U.S.A. Apart from this, a strict regulation of rail and road transport, with a system of graded priorities of aim is also called for.

The worst feature of the administration in India, it is observed, is that it has inherited long standing traditions of "laissez faire" and is consequently very poorly equipped to deal with such problems of economic control. Again, the process of decentralization has been carried to absurd lengths in sharp contrast to the trend in other federations like U.S.A., Canada and Australia. The present structure is wholly unsuited for waging a total war. The urgent need of the hour, it is stressed, is the formation at the Centre, as in U.S.A., from among the members of the Viceroy's Executive Council, of a Directive Economic Committee which will be ultimately responsible for evolving a single and a co-ordinated financial and economic policy for India as a whole.

BIG COMMUNIST RALLY IN CITY

To Be Held After Eight Years For First Time After Legalisation

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

After a lapse of eight years the Communist Party of India is holding its first All-India Convention in Bombay from May 23 to June 1. 105 delegates have been elected from the different Provinces of India for the Session, of whom about ten per cent are women.

The convention will be held at the R. M. Bhatt Hall at Parel, a predominantly labour area, along with the convention arrangements are being made to hold an exhibition where posters and pictures depicting the achievements of the Soviets in U. S. S. R. and that of the Communists in India will be displayed. During the time the convention is in session, an elaborate 'cultural programme' has also been organised. The themes for the cultural programme include National Defence anti-Fascism and anti-Nazism, Congress-League unity, prevention of riots and other internal disorders and the food problem.

According to a statement issued by the Central Committee of the Communist Party office, the Party has been organised on an All-India basis and has on its rolls more than 18,000 members in 2,000 "cells." Besides, the Party has the backing of 240 trade unions.

The forthcoming convention of the Party will review the activities of the Party since its legalisation last year, the programme it had carried out hitherto and any changes that might be required to be made in the light of the political situation in India. The main plank of the party programme includes total resistance to Fascist aggressors and work for the strengthening of India's defences, for Congress-League unity and agitation to set up a National Government for the prosecution of the war.—A.P.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

As Sir Sultan Ahmed points out, the Government of India has the machinery available for publicity and propaganda. What it lacks is ideas. We venture to suggest to Sir Sultan Ahmed that he must look for ideas outside the capital.
—Anglo-India.

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Mr. William Phillips has arrived in the U.S.A. and will report to the President this week.

Something to the following effect:

"I went, I couldn't see and I have returned."

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In the opinion of Mr. Justice Sen "the judiciary should not give an indication that it is the hand maid of the Executive."

If Mr. Justice Sen continues to go on like this there may be no alternative left but to make it the parlour maid of the Executive by Ordinance.

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The "devastatingly frank admissions" of the A. P. I. correspondent has inspired an Anglo-Indian contemporary into some devastatingly frank observations of its own. Thus: "At the present rate of progress (sic) we shall shortly be edged out of Arakan", "(history) of missed opportunities" "we do not seem to have taken to heart the lessons of the Malayan campaign" "a completely supine policy", and "strange to hear that.....'green' reinforcements had to be sent."

After a mouthful from Brutus himself, we needn't say anything more. But you know what we mean.

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Monday's India command communique reports patrol activity in Arakan.

The usual preliminary to the usual movement?

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Paying a tribute to American production Lord Halifax is reported to have said: "I have frequently wished that I could have had Hitler and Tojo with me".

The last time he had Goering with him and—well what we mean to say is that he had better not.

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Appealing for immediate peace, the deeply agitated General Franco assures the world that "We have reached what is usually called the dead end in this struggle".

More correctly, the death and end of Axis hopes. That is what worries the Caudillo.

Calcutta City Fathers Share Azad's Sorrow

CALCUTTA, May 11.

The Calcutta Corporation this afternoon expressed its condolence upon the death of Begum Azad, wife of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, President of the Indian National Congress and adjourned its special meeting without transacting any business.

In making a reference to the death of Begum Azad, the Mayor, said that although on her death bed Begum Azad expressed the desire to see her husband, Maulana Azad was not allowed to see her for reasons best known to the authorities. This, the Mayor observed, had added an additional pathos to the situation. "We share the sorrow of this illustrious son of India and I can assure you that the entire nation is behind him in his grief", concluded the Mayor.

Mr. Jinnah's Stay In Karachi

KARACHI, May 11.

It is understood that Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, will arrive in Karachi on the 15th instant, possibly by air.

Muslim League circles here say the reasons for the visit were mainly private. Mr. Jinnah is expected to stay in Karachi for about a fortnight as the guest of Mr. Yusuf Abdullah Haroon, M.L.A.

Mr Haroon said that on the conclusion of his stay in Karachi, Mr. Jinnah is likely to pay a visit to Quetta.

No particular programme has been fixed up for Mr. Jinnah in Karachi but it is understood some of the Ministers may meet him and discuss with him Sind affairs.—A. P.

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CITY MARKETS

SHARES :—The proposed increase in the capital of the Kohinoor Mills resulted in a sharp rise of over Rs. 50 at Rs. 960 which was the outstanding feature of the day on the local Stock Exchange The market was steady after the recent decline under scattered buying and Tone was steady Tata Steel Dfd. shares opened at Rs. 1975 and advanced to Rs 1910 but later reacted to Rs. 1890, Ordinary shares opened at Rs 385 and after advancing to Rs 396 reacted to Rs. 388. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs 2095 and advanced to Rs. 2090 but later were done at Rs. 2080. Century Mill shares were quoted at Rs 945 and Associated Cements were placed at Rs 237

On Monday the Wall Street market opened active and higher but low priced issues particularly utilities declined fractionally early while leaders generally were narrow some hesitancy developed early when the exchange employees did not appear on the floor owing to the labour dispute but resumed work in ten minutes after the opening Mid-day advances were widely distributed The axis disaster in Tunisia heightened thoughts of a shortime conflict and stocks which would benefit attracted the principal bids

TEXTILE SECTION : Ahmedabad Adv 612/8; Apollo 7/8; Bharat Mills 117; Bom Dyeing 2965 Cent India 524 Century 937; Colaba 299; Dawn 1652/8; E D Defd 4-12 1/2; E D Ordy 25/6; Edward Sassoon 712/8; Elphinstone 133; Finlay 422; Gokak 419; Hindustan 4400; Ind Bleaching 270; Ind. Manfg 4500, Indore Malwa 1690; Khatau 685/10; Kohinoor 961; Lakshmi xd 1900; Madhowji 36/8; Minerva 280; Model Nagpur xd 433/2; Madhuredan 675 Meyer Sassoon 270; Morarji 1140; Mysore 330; New City 492/8; New Great 527; Phoenix 892/8; Podar Mills 400; Sassoon Spg 35/4; Sassoon Silk 121; Shri Nivas 495 Sholapur 11000, Simplex 359; Svadeshi 548 Swan 302 Tata Mills 98 Vishnu xd 2070 Western India 1000.

INS SECTION : Bom Life 152/8; Empire Life 725; Oriental 5425; Vulcan 16; Indust. and Prudent 34; Ind. Mercantile 74; Juniter 24/4; New India 74/4

HYDRO AND ELEC. SECTIONS : Ahmedabad 197/18; Ajmere 14/12; And Val Ord 1850; Bom. Suburban 200/10; Broach 14; Karachi 266/4; Bom. Tram Ord xd 153; Poona 306; Surat xd 196/4; Surat New Rs. 50/xd. 70; Tata Hydro Ord. 194; Tata Power Ord 1770

BANK SECTION :—Baroda Bank 127; Bank of India 169; Central Bank 65; Imp. F. P 1755; Imp. P.P. 437/8; Reserve 110; Union 8/8

RAILWAY SECTION :—Ahmed Prantej 207/6; Cent. Prov. 109/8; Dhond Baramati 108; Gujerat 101/8; Mahdra Bhon 107; Mymensing Rebt 104; Mymensing Gtd. 100; Hoshiarpur Doab 100; Sara Sirajgani 102/8; Sialkot Narowal 119; Sialkot New 48; Upper Sind Lt. 115

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION :—Alembic Chem. 380; Alcock Ashdown 927/8; Asso. Cement 238; B. B Petrol 2 1/2; Belapur 246; Bom. Burma Old 320; Bom. Burma New 109; Bom. Steam 577/8; Radio Ord. 430; Radio Defd. 442/8; Invest. Trust 63; Prem Const 175; Port Canning 95/8; Scindia 33; Shivraipur 67; Tata Ordy. 386/8; Tata Defd 1997/8; Tata Chem. 38/4; Tata Oil 94; Wimco 355; Burma Corp 2/10; BIC Ord. 5/8; Ind Copper 2-8 1/2; Ind. Iron 35/8; Steel Corp 26/10; New Viet. Ord 11/6

GOVT. SECURITIES :—2 3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99/2; 3 1/2 per cent G. P. Note 94; 3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 100/8; 3 per cent 1951-54 Loan 99/15; 3 per cent 1947-50 Loan 103/14; 3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 96/8; 4 per cent 1943 Bond 100/6; 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 110/7; 4 1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 114/6; 3 per cent 1946 Def Loan 102/14

TAX FREE LOANS :—5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 107/11; 4 per cent 1953-63 Mysore 119; 6 per cent Mysore 128.

CORP. DEBENTURES :—4 per cent B. P. T. 1974 109/12; 4 per cent M. Deb. 1974 110; 5 per cent M. Deb. 1959 118; 6 per cent 1954 128; 6 per cent K.P.T 1956 128 6 per cent Mysore 1955 128

COTTON :—The local market was steady at the start with moderate short covering. It appears that outside interest has greatly decreased and the market seems to be jobbers' hands who do not prefer to carry over large risks overnight. The market opened to-day at Rs. 600 for July delivery and after declining to Rs. 599 advanced to Rs 604 on short covering. Later on there was scattered realising and prices steadied at Rs. 603/8 At the moment the outlook is uncertain. Later prices declined to Rs. 597/8 and closed at 3 p.m with May Rs. 585 and July Rs. 602. After the close business was being done at Rs. 604.

BULLION :—Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d and New York spot silver was placed at 44 3/4 cents. The local market continues easy with professional unloading Gold after declining to Rs. 91 rallied to Rs. 91/12 while silver after declining to Rs. 130 steadied at Rs. 131. Market tendency is uncertain and in the absence of hedging facilities, interesting developments are expected Ready gold Rs 92/4 Vaishakh Rs 91/12 Ready silver Rs 133/8 Vaishakh Rs 131. Later on the market declined to Rs. 128 for silver and Rs 90/8 for gold. There appeared short covering and closing quotations were as under: Ready gold Rs. 92, Vaishakh Rs 91/8, Ready silver Rs. 132/12, Vaishakh Rs 130/8

SEEDS :—After present rapid rise the technical position of the market is weakened as there is utter absence of any selling. Groundnuts August delivery after advancing to Rs. 127/4 reacted to Rs. 126/10. Linseed September was quoted at Rs. 15-8-6 and Castorseeds September were being done at Rs. 119/8. Tone was firm.

Closing quotations :—

Linseed May Rs. 14-14-6, September Rs. 15/10, Groundnuts May Rs. 120, 122/4, 121, Groundnuts August Rs. 125/12, 128/11, 125/6, 127/2, Castorseeds May Rs. 110/12, 112, 111/12 Castorseeds September Rs 117/8, 120/4, 118/12

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 11

Tata Ordinary 390; Tata Deferred 1892/8; Indian Iron 35/8; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 26/10; Bombay Dyeing 2090; Central India 525; Century 937/8; Gokak 421/4; Kohinoor 968/2; Simplex 358; Andhra Valley 1847/8; Tata Hydro 193/12; Tata Power 1775; Associated Cement 237; Belapur 246/14; Bombay Burma (old) 320

LONDON WHEAT.

London, May 10.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe May/June quoted 25/6

Wheat Australian May/June quoted 28/6

Sales Of Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 11th May 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 15,07,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-11-9 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-11-6 were allotted approximately 39 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. Eight Crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 1-1-7 per cent per annum.

During the week ended 7th May 1943, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,57,00,000—were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Three months' Intermediates sold from 5th May 1943 to 10th May 1943 amounted to Rs. 2,90,75,000.

Refund Of Preference Share Dividends

An important ruling was recently been given by the Income-tax Appellate Tribunal in connection with refund of dividends on preference shares of the Tata Iron and Steel Co. Ltd. In June 1940 under an Order of the High Court of Bombay the Tata Iron and Steel Co Ltd., refunded the amount of income-tax deducted and retained by the Company on dividends of preference shares of the Company for the years 1929 to 1934, on the ground that as the Company did not, by virtue of the rules for the assessment of the Company's income, pay tax on the income, profits and gains of the Company for these years it was not entitled to deduct such tax from the dividends on the preference shares When these refunds were made, aggregating to a sum of over Rs. 30 lakhs the Tax authorities however treated these payments as fresh dividends and assessed them for the assessment year 1941-42 in the hands of the recipients for income tax and in appropriate cases for super-tax also One of the shareholders assesses took the matter to the Tribunal who have decided that the payment was not liable to tax in the hands of the recipients and the Tax authorities were not justified in taxing these payments for the assessment year 1941-42

The Tribunal appear to base their decision on two principal grounds (1) Under Section 16 (2) of the Income-tax Act as in force in the years 1929 to 1934 no grossing up of dividends by the Tax authorities was permissible where the Company's profits from which these dividends issued were not taxable in the hands of the Company as was the case with the dividends on preference shares for the said five years. (2) That in any event the dividends paid in the above years had in fact been grossed up by the Tax authorities and assessments duly made on the recipients for the tax recoverable from them in those years

BIRLA OPENS UNITED COMMERCIAL BANK

CALCUTTA May 11.

Mr. G D Birla performed on Monday the opening ceremony of the United Commercial Bank in Royal Exchange place

Those present on the occasion included Mr. N. R Sarkar Sir Badridas Goenka, Dr. N. Law, Mr. P. D. Himatsinha. Sir Adamjee Hajee Dawood, Mr M. A. Isphahani. Mr. Laijnath Jalan, Mr. A. C. Law and R. S J. Desai.—A. P.

LAHORE CENTRAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Lahore, May 8.

Agricultural Machinery Ord. 13, Defd. 3/14, National Bank of Lahore (Rs. 2/8 paid up) Rs. 8, New Bank 40/8 Bharat Insurance 134, Ambala Cantt., Electric 91, Rawalpindi Electric 30, Saraswati Sugar 348, Bharat I Investment Trust Defd. 6/6/3, Lesco Chemicals 5/4, premium Punjab Textiles Ordy. 180, Steel and General Mills 185, Radio and Wire Mfg Co. Defd (Rs. 2/4 paid) Rs. 2/9.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, May 11

On Monday the New York cotton market was quiet with increased selling in New Crop months Prices declined on light liquidation and hedging influenced by war news and the hesitancy of the spot market with trade price-fixing against textile contracts which proved to be the principal support Chicago grains declined under the leadership of wheat reflecting improved crop conditions and the approach of the harvesting season in Texas

The market opened at a decline of 5 points with July quoted 19.94 and further sagged to 19.92 which was the lowest level for the day Later July improved to 19.96 and the market closed at a net rise of 2 points to a loss of 9 points Spot cotton prices declined 2 points at 21.93c per lb

PRIVATE CABLES.

N. Y. July highest (12-36 p.m) 19.96 03

N. Y. July lowest (10-11 a.m.) 19.92—07

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 10

May 20.24+02; July 19.95—04; October 19.80—04; Middling Spot 21.93—02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, May 10.

May 20.50 -02; July 20.24—06; October 20.10—03; Middling Spot 20.75—05

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 10

May 20.20; July 19.93; October 19.76.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London May 10.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent 768 3/4

Consols 2 1/2 per cent 81

Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961 £105 9/16

War Loan 3 1/2 per cent £103 1/2

Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90 £113 1/4

Victory Bonds 4 per cent £113 9/16

Chartered Bank of I.A and China £ 8 1/8

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank £63

National Bank of India £30 3/4

LONDON SILVER

London, May 10.

Spot 23 1/2

Forward 23 1/2

LONDON GOLD

London. May 10.

London gold fine per oz £8-8 0

LONDON EXCHANGES

London. May 10.

T. London on :

New York sellers 4.02 1/2 buyers 4.03 1/2

Madrid official 40.5

Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47

Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4

Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

The Half-Column "By Dim"

The Fourth Indian Division was again in the vanguard as the spearhead of a battle which was part of a war for democracy and freedom—freedom from want, freedom from fear and all those freedoms once advertised but now withdrawn from advertisement. Tunis fell! And Bizerta—and Mr. Smuts the South African gentleman wired to another gentleman in Britain to congratulate him on the great success. Meanwhile Indians in South Africa were being told they were not wanted in the chosen areas; meanwhile in Jerunkanians in India these men who formed the spearhead of the "Allied" attack cannot even stop for a Nasik whisky, nor a lemon squash not even a glass of water. meanwhile we who are at the base as it were, sitting in our seats at the theatre will be content to see Indians shown on the screen still pushing an odd truck, still making chapatis, still guarding prisoners because the department of the Director of Public Relations will not show to the 400 million that Indians are doing anything more than make chapatis, push trucks and guard prisoners. Even Wing Commander Roberts talk that brilliant Englishman now wasted in that office could not persuade his Brigadier that pictures other than those which were now being [illegible] must be got.

The great Mr Winston Churchill whose rhetoric has charmed millions all the world over and who has so much to say on so many occasions, gets tongue tied on occasions like this. We have yet to hear whether in his account of the Tunisian campaign he will condescend to devote a paragraph or may be a sentence or perhaps a word to the Fourth Indian Division who have been the torchbearers of victory in those dark African parts. Or, perhaps, he will have a purple passage thanking General Smuts for his congratulations and thanking God for supporting the justice of Mr. Churchill's cause. It's a funny world we live in. One day I want to say to Mr. Churchill: We have offered you blood, sweat, toil and tears, but now all that is left within us is just the bitterness in our souls.

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Mr. Khare has been a student of philosophy and 'yoga' for the last 30 years and is the author of several books The seat at the Sharada Peet became vacant on the passing away of the previous occupant on February 16 last; and in accordance with his wishes and in consultation with His Holiness the Shankaracharya of Puri, Mr. Khare who is 75 and became a 'sanyasin' on May 7, was installed.—United Press.

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LOSS OF SHARE CERTIFICATE

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R. P. KOPPIKAR,
M. S., F.C.P.S. (Bom),
Ag. DEAN.

Parel, Bombay 12.
Dated 10th May, 1943. 4503

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(H. TUFNELL-BARRETT).
Joint Secretary,
to the Government of India,
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SIMLA. (4509)

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JEHANGIR KAIKHUSRO MEHERJI and KHORSHEDBANOO JEHANGIR MEHERJI have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from all incumbrances.

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THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of leasehold land situate, lying and being within the village of Amboli otherwise called Ambolvili in the Bombay Suburban District of the Island of Salsette registration Sub - District of Bandora with the messuage tenement or dwelling house known as "Khorshed Villa", standing thereon, being plot No. 85 Amboli Estate and of which piece or parcel of land the Trustees of the last will and codicils of the late Nowrojee Maneckjee Wadia are the Lessors, and which is bounded on the North by Plot No. 84 of the said Amboli Estate, on the South by plot No. 86 of the said Estate on the East by a road belonging to the said Lessors and on the West by another road belonging to the said Lessors, and which said piece or parcel of land contain by admeasurement 855 Square Yards and bears portion of Survey No. 46 and of Record of Rights No. 275.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1943.

UNVALA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4495

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THE MANMAR MANUF. CO., LTD.
Re: LOSS OF SHARE CERTIFICATES.

The above company's share certificate No. 1386 standing in the joint names of Ranchhoddas Sheshkaran and Bai Seju, widow of Motichand Harakhchand is LOST or MISLAID. Whoever in possession of or claiming the right to possess the above should notify his or her claim within one month at the company's office No. 17 Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay failing which no claim will be entertained and its duplicate share certificate will be issued.

Bombay, 12|5|1943. 4514

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. BABUBHAI PRAGJI has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned properties free from all incumbrances. All persons having any claim against or to the said properties by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, charge, lien, trust, lease, possession, gift, bequest, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 381, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay within fourteen (14) days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

FIRSTLY:—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate lying and being at Bandra in the Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and in the District of Bombay Suburban, containing by admeasurement 860 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Survey No. 115 and being Plot No 606 of the Bandra Town Planning Scheme No. III and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by the fifteenth Road, on or towards the West by Plot No 602 of the Bandra Town Planning Scheme No. III, on or towards the South by the Plot No. 607 of the said Scheme and on or towards the North by the Plot No. 605 of the said Scheme and which premises are now occupied by the Vendor.

SECONDLY:—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate, lying and being at Bandra in the Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and District of the Bombay Suburban, containing by admeasurement 800 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of land Revenue under Old Survey No. 114 and being Plot No 611 of the Bandra Town Planning Scheme No. III and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by the Plot No. 617 of the said Scheme, on or towards the West by the Fifteenth Road, on or towards the South by the Plot No. 610 of the said Scheme and on or towards the North by the Plot No. 612 of the said Scheme and which premises are now occupied by the Vendor.

THIRDLY:—All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate, lying and being at Bandra in the Bombay Suburban District in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and District of Bombay Suburban, containing by admeasurement 515 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Survey No. 114 and being Plot No. 620 of the Bandra Town Planning Scheme No. III and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by the Plot No 622 of the said Scheme, on or towards the West by the fourteenth Road, on or towards the South by the Plot No. 619 of the said Scheme and on or towards the North by the Plot No. 621 of the said Scheme and which premises are now occupied by the Vendor.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1943.

SAMANT & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4504.

LEGAL NOTICES

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.
INSOLVENCY NO. 56 OF 1943

Re: G. R. DURANI, residing and also carrying on business at Hindu Colony, 1st Lane, Dadar in the firm name of Guinea Pictures: .....A Debtor.

Ex parte: Messrs. Y. TAYEB & CO., ...Petitioning Creditors.

On the 4th day of May, 1943, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1943.

S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar. 4503

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HARGOVANDAS VITHALDAS of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from all incumbrances.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, possession, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date of publication hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

A piece of Quit or Ground Rent Tenure land with dwelling house thereon situate at Kolsa Street in the City island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, admeasuring 232 7/9 Square Yards or thereabout bearing Collector's New Nos. 7801, 7802, New Survey No. 1285 and Cadastral Survey No. 1265 of Mandvi Division and Municipal "B" Ward No. 965 Street Nos. 27-29 and bounded, on the East by Sweepers' passage, on the West by Kolsa Street, on the North by house belonging to Lohana Parunath Temple, on the south by the house of Kilachand Devchand.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1943.

MAZAGONWALLA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4506

NOTICE.

Re: Sale of "BUENA VISTA" AT COLABA, WINDY HALL LANE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. GOOL DARA PANDAY & Mrs. PERIN JEHANGIR LENTIN, the Executrices of the last Will of Bai PIROJA JEHANGIR RANDERIA have agreed to sell to my clients the undermentioned property.

Any person having any claim of whatsoever nature in the said property is hereby required to give notice thereof to the undersigned at his Office at ISMAIL BUILDING, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, after which period the sale will be completed without regard to any claim of which notice has not been received and the same, if any, will be considered as waived

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Piece or parcel of Leasehold land, situate at Windy Hall Lane, Colaba, Bombay. Area 523 square yards with the building known as 'BUENA VISTA" and other structures standing thereon and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the North-East by the property in the occupation of Hashaan Premji on or towards the North-West by a passage called Windy Hall Lane and on or towards the South by land in charge of Military Department and registered in the Books of the Collector of Bombay under Rent Roll No. 8445 and bears C.S. No. 1/31 of the Colaba Division and assessed by the Assessor & Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under A Ward No. 185(6) formerly Street No. 176 and now Street No. 9 Colaba.

Dated this 12th day of May, 1943.

FRAMROZE J. GHADIALLY,
Purchasers' Attorney. 4515

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that VITHALDAS DHARAMSEY, BHAILAL DHARAMSEY, RATILAL DHARAMSEY and HARKISONDAS DHARAMSEY, all of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client:

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office, situate at Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel or batty land, containing by admeasurement 4630 square yards and forming portion of the plot of ground registered in the books of the Khot of Malad under No. 57 together with the bungalow hereditaments and premises standing thereon all which said premises are situate on the Marve Road in the village of Malad in Taluka South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and bounded on or towards the East by land formerly belonging to Sorabji Bomanji Kapadia but now by the property of Maneklal Dayabhai, on or towards the West by land formerly belonging to Muncherji Pestonji Choksey but now partly by the propertry of Motilal Ichharam Gandhi and partly by the property of M. D. Shroff and another, on or towards the North by the property formerly and now belonging to Bai Sitabai widow of Ramchander Krishnarao Mankar and on or towards the South by the said Marwe Road.

Dated this 11th day of May, 1943.

DABHOLKER & JESHTARAM,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4512.

NOTICE OF SALE OF FANCY MARKET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SHAIKH MAHOMED PEERBHOY FANCY, HIDAYETBIBI, wife of Shaikh Mahomed Peerbhoy Fancy, Mariambibi, daughter of Mahomed Husein Ellam and widow of Abdul Hamid Shaikh Mahomed Fancy, SHAIKH MAHOMED PEERBHOY FANCY and GULAM HASAN AHMED P. BUTLER, B.A., LL.B., Advocate, Bombay High Court, the last two being Guardians of the minors, Abdul Majid, Abdul Rashid, Rashidabibi, and Zubedabibi, sons and daughters of the deceased Abdul Hamid Shaikh Mahomed Fancy appointed pursuant to the Order made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, dated 12th February, 1942, (In the matter of Guardian and Wards Act VIII of 1890 and In the matter of Abdul Majid and Ors. minors) all of Bombay and Rander Sunni Muslim Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property known as Fancy Market to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise whosoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Examiner Press Building, 2nd Floor, No. 35, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, WITHIN 14 DAYS from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any will be considered as waived.

PARTICULARS OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land together with the buildings or building or structures standing thereon situate at the junction of Wylie Road and Moreland Road in the Byculla Division of Bombay, containing by admeasurement about 2489 square yards be the little more or less and bounded as follows: on the East by the passage and chawls of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay, on the West by a Public Road known as Moreland Road, and on the North by a vacant Plot No. 149B belonging to the Lessor and on the South by a public Road known as Wylie Road and which said premises are registered in the Books of the Collector of Bombay as part of New Survey No. 3529 Cadastral Survey No. part of No. 1862 of Byculla Division and in the Books of Collector of Assessment under 'E' Ward No. 4094 (6 @ 9) Street No. 100 of Wylie Road and 100-C of Moreland Road.

Dated this 8th day of May, 1943.

TAHER & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4496

Re: SALE OF KUMBHARWADA PROPERTY

Messrs. JAIRAM GOVIND & CHHOTALAL GOVIND have agreed to sell to our client the undermentioned property Any person making any claim against the said property in any manner whatsoever is requested to notify the same to the undersigned within 14 days otherwise the claim will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

Quit and Ground rent (redeemed) land with building situate at Kumbharwada Road, Bombay, admeasuring 663 4/9 square yards after Municipal set-back 581-22 square yards bearing Collector's New Nos. 9073 9074 and 9078, New Survey Nos. 1/5008, 2/5008 and 5009 Cadastral Survey Nos. 3829 and 3830 of Bhuleshwar Division and bearing Municipal C. Ward Nos. 7661 and 7662, Street Nos. 110 to 122 Kumbharwada Street.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1943.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchasers' Attorneys
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort. 4501

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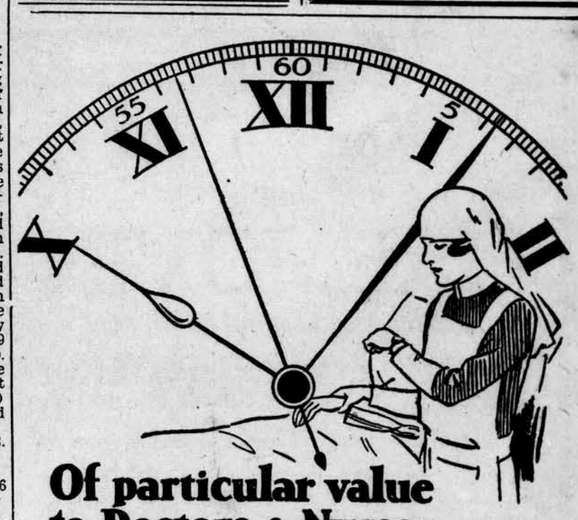

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